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1,the first antibody being immobilized on a solid support;

- (b) contacting the solid support with a labelled second antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin; and
- (c) determining the second antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of PAI-1/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.
  - 8. (Amended) The method of claim I wherein step (ii) comprises the steps of:
- (a) simultaneously contacting the sample with a first antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin, the first antibody being immobilized on a solid support, and with a labelled second antibody which binds selectively to PAI-1; and
- (b) determining the second antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of PAI-1/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.
  - 9. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein step (ii) comprises the steps of:
- (a) contacting the sample with a first antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin, the first antibody being immobilized on a solid support;
- (b) contacting the solid support with a labelled second antibody which binds selectively to PAI-1; and
- (c) determining the second antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of PAI-1/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.
  - 10. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein step (ii) comprises the steps of:
- (a) contacting the sample with a first antibody which binds selectively to PAI-1, the first antibody being immobilized on a solid support;
- (b) contacting the solid support with a second antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin;
- (c) contacting the solid support with a labelled third antibody which binds selectively to the second antibody; and
- (d) determining the third antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of PAI-1/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.

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- 11. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein step (ii) comprises the steps of:
- (a) contacting the sample with a first antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin, the first antibody being immobilized on a solid support;
  - (b) contacting the solid support with a second antibody which binds s selectively to PAI-1;
- (c) contacting the solid support with a labelled third antibody which binds selectively to the second antibody; and
- (d) determining the third antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of PAI-l/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.
  - 12. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein step (ii) comprises the steps of:
- (a) contacting the sample, either simultaneously or stepwise, with a first antibody which binds selectively to PAI-1 and to which is attached one member of a capture pair and with a labelled second antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin to form a mixture;
- (b) contacting the mixture with a solid support on which is immobilized the other member of the capture pair; and
- (c) determining the second antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of PAI-l/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.
  - 13. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein step (ii) comprises the steps of:
- (a) contacting the sample either simultaneously or stepwise, with a first antibody which binds selectively to multimeric vitronectin and to which is attached one member of a capture pair and with a labelled second antibody which binds selectively to PAI-1 to form a mixture;
- (b) contacting the mixture with a solid support on which is immobilized the other member of the capture pair; and
- (c) determining the second antibody bound to the solid support to measure the amount of-PAI-1/multimeric vitronectin complex in the sample.

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14. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the biological fluid is selected from the group consisting of whole blood, plasma, serum, urine, saliva, amniotic fluid, cerebrospinal fluid and a tissue extract.

- 15. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the biological fluid is whole blood, plasma or serum.
- 16. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the second antibody is labelled with a directly detectable label.
- 17. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the second antibody is labelled with a component of a signal-generating system.
- 19. (Amended) The method according to claim 1 wherein the second antibody is labelled with a fluorophore.
- 27. (Amended) The kit of claim 25 wherein said first antibody is immobilized on a solid support.
- 28. (Amended) The kit of claim 25 further comprising a set of calibration standards.
- 30. (Amended) The kit of claim 29 wherein said first antibody is immobilized on a solid support.
- 31. (Amended) The kit of claim 29 further comprising a set of calibration is standards.